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BOYD CALLS FOR AN HONEST BUDGET

Administration's budget fails to include full cost of operations in Iraq and Afghanistan

WASHINGTON, D.C.-Congressman Allen Boyd (D-North Florida) today criticized the Administration's 2007 budget.

The President's 2007 budget asks for \$439.3 billion in discretionary defense spending, but the bulk of that spending is for operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"By omitting the full cost of operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, the Administration's budget is not an honest budget," Boyd said.

Under the guise of fiscal restraint, the President's proposed \$2.7 trillion budget will decrease domestic spending by \$10 billion.

A leader of the Blue Dogs, Congressman Boyd is deeply concerned with continued deficit spending, the lack of accountability, and the need for a balanced budget.

"Our budget process is in shambles, full of wasteful spending and devoid of accountability and enforcement," Boyd said.

A fifth generation farmer from Monticello, Congressman Boyd is in his fifth term in the United States Congress.